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For: DISEASE SUSCEPTIBILITY GENE FOR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, PROTEIN THEREOF, EVALUATION METHOD AND EVALUATION KIT FOR EVALUATING ONSET POSSIBILITY OF RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS BY USING THOSE, AND REMEDY AND CURING MEDICINE FOR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

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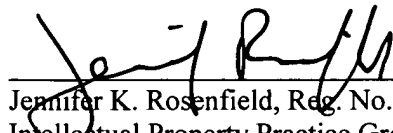
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1. the submission, filed herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(g), does not contain new matter, and
2. the content of the attached paper copy (4 pages) and the attached computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing, submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(c) and (e), respectively, are the same.

The Substitute Sequence Listing submitted herewith has been amended to update the serial number and priority information. Applicants respectfully request entry of the Sequence Listing in the application.

Respectfully submitted

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